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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF OREGON
PENDLETON DIVISION

OREGON FIREARMS FEDERATION,
INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

TINA KOTEK, et al.,

Defendants,

and

OREGON ALLIANCE FOR GUN
SAFETY,

Intervenor-Defendant.

Case No. 2:22-cv-01815-IM (*Lead Case*)
Case No. 3:22-cv-01859-IM (*Trailing Case*)
Case No. 3:22-cv-01862-IM (*Trailing Case*)
Case No. 3:22-cv-01869-IM (*Trailing Case*)

CONSOLIDATED CASES

INTERVENOR-DEFENDANT OREGON
ALLIANCE FOR GUN SAFETY'S
ANSWER TO *OFF* PLAINTIFFS'
THIRD AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR
DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE
RELIEF

MARK FITZ, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al.,

Defendants.

KATERINA B. EYRE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al.,

Defendants,

and

OREGON ALLIANCE FOR GUN
SAFETY,

Intervenor-Defendant.

DANIEL AZZOPARDI, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ELLEN F. ROSENBLUM, et al.,

Defendants.

Intervenor-Defendant Oregon Alliance for Gun Safety (the “Alliance”) answers Oregon Firearms Federation Plaintiffs’ Third Amended Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief (the “Complaint”), ECF 158, as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 contains characterizations of this action and legal conclusions and argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

2. The Alliance admits that some unknown number of Americans own magazines that have an overall capacity of more than 10 rounds of ammunition, which Oregon Ballot Measure 114 (“Measure 114”) defines as “large-capacity magazines.” The Alliance further admits that some Americans own firearms with or capable of accepting LCMs. Except as expressly admitted above, the remaining allegations in Paragraph 2 consist of subjective characterizations and legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

3. The Alliance further admits that some unknown number of Americans own LCMs, some of whom use them for lawful purposes while others use them for illicit and illegal purposes. Except as expressly admitted above, the remaining allegations in Paragraph 3 contains legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

4. Paragraph 4 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

5. Paragraph 5 contains legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

6. Paragraph 6 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

7. Paragraph 7 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

8. Paragraph 8 consists of subjective characterizations and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

9. Paragraph 9 consists of subjective characterizations, legal conclusions or argument, and descriptions of the relief Plaintiffs seek, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

10. Paragraph 10 contains legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

PARTIES

11. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 11, which shall have the effect of a denial.

12. The Alliance is Paragraph 12 contains legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

13. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in the first and fourth sentences of Paragraph 13, which shall have the effect of a denial. The second and third sentences of Paragraph 13 consist of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

14. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 14, which shall have the effect of a denial.

15. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 15, which shall have the effect of a denial.

16. The Alliance admits the first sentence of Paragraph 16. The Alliance denies the second sentence of Paragraph 16. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 16, which shall have the effect of a denial.

17. The Alliance admits the first sentence of Paragraph 17. The Alliance denies the second sentence of Paragraph 17. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 17, which shall have the effect of a denial.

18. The Alliance admits the first sentence of Paragraph 18. The Alliance denies the second sentence of Paragraph 18. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 18, which shall have the effect of a denial.

19. The Alliance admits the first sentence of Paragraph 19. The Alliance denies the second sentence of Paragraph 19. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 19, which shall have the effect of a denial.

20. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 20, which shall have the effect of a denial.

21. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 21, which shall have the effect of a denial.

22. With respect to the first sentence of Paragraph 22, the Alliance admits that Kate Brown was governor of Oregon when the lawsuit was filed and that Defendant Tina Kotek is the current governor of Oregon. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 22 consist of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

23. The Alliance admits the first sentence of Paragraph 23. The Alliance further admits that the Attorney General's main office is in Salem, Oregon. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 23 consist of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

24. With respect to the first sentence of Paragraph 24, the Alliance admits that Terrie Davie was the superintendent of the Oregon State Police ("OSP") when the Complaint was filed. Defendant Casey Coddling was appointed OSP superintendent on or about February 13, 2023. The Alliance further admits that OSP's general headquarters are in Salem, Oregon. The remaining allegations of Paragraph 24 consist of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

ALLEGATIONS

25. The Alliance denies the heading, "Magazine size is a critical component of self defense." The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 25, which shall have the effect of a denial.

26. With respect to the first and second sentences of Paragraph 26, the Alliance admits that most instances of defensive gun use do not involve shots being fired. Except as expressly

admitted above, the remaining allegations in Paragraph 26 consist of subjective characterizations to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

27. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 27, which shall have the effect of a denial.

28. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 28, which shall have the effect of a denial.

29. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 29, which shall have the effect of a denial.

30. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 30, which shall have the effect of a denial.

31. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 31, which shall have the effect of a denial.

32. Paragraph 32 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is require. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

33. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in the first and second sentences of Paragraph 33, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remaining allegations in Paragraph 33 consist of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

34. The first and second sentence of Paragraph 34 consist of subjective characterizations and matters of pure opinion, neither of which requires a response, but to the

extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance denies the third sentence of Paragraph 34.

35. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 35, which shall have the effect of a denial.

36. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 36, which shall have the effect of a denial.

37. The Alliance denies the first sentence of Paragraph 37. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 37, which shall have the effect of a denial.

38. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 38, which shall have the effect of a denial.

39. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 39, which shall have the effect of a denial.

40. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 40, which shall have the effect of a denial.

41. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 41, which shall have the effect of a denial.

42. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in the first and second sentences of Paragraph 42, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remaining allegations in Paragraph 42 consist of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinion, or argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

43. Paragraph 43 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

44. Paragraph 44 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

45. The first and second sentences of Paragraph 45 consist of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance admits the third through twelfth sentences in Paragraph 45 and further notes that, in most of the mass shootings referenced, the perpetrators used LCMs.

46. Denied.

47. The Alliance denies the final sentence of Paragraph 47. The newspaper article quoted in the penultimate sentence of Paragraph 47 speaks for itself. The Alliance denies all allegations, inferences, and characterizations in Paragraph 47 inconsistent with the cited article. The Alliance is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 47.

48. Paragraph 48 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

49. The Alliance admits that many Oregon law enforcement agencies issue service pistols with detachable LCMs to their officers for use while on duty, which Measure 114 allows them to continue to do. The remaining allegations in Paragraph 49 consist of subjective

characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

50. Paragraph 50 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

51. Paragraph 51 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

52. Paragraph 52 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance specifically denies the allegations that Measure 114 will “have no effect in reducing casualties due to intentional mass murder” and that those engaging in lawful self-defense “will be severely disadvantaged by Measure 114 in terms of their ability to lawfully protect themselves and others.”

53. Paragraph 53 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance specifically denies the allegation that persons with disabilities will be “disparately, negatively impacted by Measure 114.”

54. The Alliance denies the heading, “Measure 114 will do nothing to deter criminal activity or prevent mass shootings.” Paragraph 54 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a

response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

55. Paragraph 55 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

56. Paragraph 56 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

57. Paragraph 57 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance specifically denies the allegations that “[l]imiting the number of rounds available” in a magazine to ten rounds “decreases one’s chances of surviv[ing]” a “criminal attack” and that “a firearm’s ammunition capacity is directly related to its suitability for self-defense.”

58. Paragraph 58 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

59. Paragraph 59 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance specifically denies that “[b]y limiting law-abiding citizens to 10 rounds in a magazine, Measure 114 increases the advantages that criminals have in a confrontation.”

60. Paragraph 60 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance specifically denies the allegation that a “person could easily” need more than ten rounds of ammunition for lawful armed self-defense.

61. The Alliance denies the first sentence of Paragraph 61. The second sentence of Paragraph 61 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same

62. The Alliance denies the heading, “Multiple 10 round magazines are no substitute for conventional magazines.” Paragraph 62 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

63. The final two sentences of Paragraph 63 consist of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 63, which shall have the effect of a denial.

64. Paragraph 64 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

65. Paragraph 65 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and generalized argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

66. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 66, which shall have the effect of a denial.

67. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 67, which shall have the effect of a denial.

68. Paragraph 68 consists of subjective characterizations and generalized argumentative assertions, neither of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

69. The Alliance denies the heading, “Measure 114 effectively bans almost all magazines and shotguns.” The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 69, which shall have the effect of a denial.

70. The Alliance admits the third sentence of Paragraph 70. The Alliance denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 70.

71. Denied.

72. The Alliance denies the heading, “Sheriffs will be less able to protect themselves under Measure 114.” The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 72, which shall have the effect of a denial.

73. Paragraph 73 consists of subjective characterizations and generalized argumentative assertions, neither of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

74. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in the first through third sentences of Paragraph 74, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remainder of Paragraph 74 consists of subjective characterizations, generalized argumentative assertions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

75. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 75, which shall have the effect of a denial.

76. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 76, which shall have the effect of a denial.

77. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 77, which shall have the effect of a denial.

78. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 78, which shall have the effect of a denial.

79. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 79, which shall have the effect of a denial.

80. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 80, which shall have the effect of a denial.

81. The Alliance denies the heading, “The permit system functions as a complete ban on new firearm owners.” Paragraph 81 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

82. The Alliance denies the heading, “The required permit system cannot be implemented in the foreseeable future.” The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 82, which shall have the effect of a denial.

83. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 83, which shall have the effect of a denial.

84. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 84, which shall have the effect of a denial.

85. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 85, which shall have the effect of a denial.

86. The Alliance denies the heading, “Repeating firearms were well known at the Founding.” The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 86, which shall have the effect of a denial.

87. The Alliance admits that, to the extent weapons capable of firing more than ten rounds existed before the 20th century, they were experimental, unusual, impractical, unreliable, prohibitively expensive, or otherwise not analogous to modern firearms equipped with LCMs—and thus unlikely to necessitate government regulation. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance denies the remaining allegations in Paragraph 87. The Alliance specifically denies that 17th- or 18th-century firearms capable of firing more than ten rounds without reloading were widely owned in the United States or nearly as dangerous as modern firearms equipped with LCMs. The Alliance specifically denies that all 18th century “firearm laws were directed towards restricting access to enslaved, Native, and free Black peoples as well as other people of color.”

88. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 88, which shall have the effect of a denial.

89. The first sentence of Paragraph 89 consists of subjective characterizations and argumentative assertions, neither of which require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same. The Alliance admits that, to the extent weapons capable of firing more than ten rounds existed in the 18th century, they were experimental, unusual, impractical, unreliable, prohibitively expensive, or otherwise not analogous to modern firearms equipped with LCMs—and thus unlikely to necessitate government regulation. The Alliance admits that a correspondence between Joseph Belton and the Continental Congress exists, but there are no historical records showing that his multi-shot firearm was ever actually tested or supplied, and the Continental Congress's order was cancelled. The Alliance admits that the Girardoni air rifle was a multi-shot firearm in existence in the 18th century, but it required numerous strokes of a hand pump to charge, they were not manufactured in large quantities, and very few ever made it to the United States. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 89, which shall have the effect of a denial.

90. In answer to Paragraph 90, the Alliance incorporates its response to Paragraph 89. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 90, which shall have the effect of a denial.

91. In answer to Paragraph 91, the Alliance incorporates its response to Paragraph 89. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to

form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 91, which shall have the effect of a denial.

92. Paragraph 92 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and argumentative assertions, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

93. Paragraph 93 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

94. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 94, which shall have the effect of a denial.

95. The Alliance denies the first and final sentences of Paragraph 95 and specifically denies the suggestion that AR-15-style rifles are the “best” or “most effective” weapon for self-defense in the home. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in the second sentence of Paragraph 95, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remainder of Paragraph 95 consists of subjective characterizations and hypothetical opinions, neither of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

96. The Alliance admits that, to the extent weapons capable of firing more than ten rounds existed before the 20th century, they were experimental, unusual, impractical, unreliable, prohibitively expensive, or otherwise not analogous to modern firearms equipped with LCMs—and thus unlikely to necessitate government regulation. The Alliance specifically denies that 19th-century firearms capable of firing more than ten rounds without reloading were nearly as dangerous as modern firearms equipped with LCMs. For example, unlike modern semi-automatic firearms

with detachable LCMs, the Winchester 1892 rifle was a multi-shot firearm that required users to operate a lever after firing each shot to load a new round into the chambers—a time-consuming process. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of any remaining allegations in Paragraph 96, which shall have the effect of a denial.

97. The Alliance admits that, unlike modern semi-automatic firearms with detachable LCMs, the Winchester 1873 rifle was a multi-shot firearm with had tubular magazines that were permanently affixed to the barrel of the gun and required users to operate a lever after firing each shot to load a new round into the chambers—a time-consuming process. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 97, which shall have the effect of a denial.

98. The Alliance admits that, unlike modern semi-automatic firearms with detachable LCMs, the 1860 Henry rifle was a multi-shot firearm with tubular magazines that were permanently affixed to the barrel of the gun and required users to operate a lever after firing each shot to load a new round into the chambers—a time-consuming process. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remainder of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 98, which shall have the effect of a denial.

99. In answer to Paragraph 99, the Alliance incorporates its answer to Paragraph 98. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remainder of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 99, which shall have the effect of a denial.

100. The Alliance admits that, unlike modern semi-automatic firearms with detachable LCMs, the Winchester 1894 rifle required users to operate a lever after firing each shot to load a new round into the chambers—a time-consuming process. The Alliance lacks sufficient

knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 100, which shall have the effect of a denial.

101. The Alliance admits that the Marlin Model 60 did not begin production until around the 1960s. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 101, which shall have the effect of a denial.

102. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 102, which shall have the effect of a denial.

103. The Alliance admits that in 1718 James Puckle patented a nine-round, giant, tripod-mounted “Puckle gun,” which was never widely produced, difficult and expensive to manufacture, unreliable, and ridiculed by contemporaries for its impracticality; users would have to crank or rotate the cylinder by hand between shots. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 103, which shall have the effect of a denial.

104. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 104, which shall have the effect of a denial.

105. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 105, which shall have the effect of a denial.

106. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 106, which shall have the effect of a denial.

107. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 107, which shall have the effect of a denial.

108. Exhibit B attached to the Complaint appears to be a list of firearms and speaks for itself. The Alliance is lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of

the second sentence of Paragraph 108, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remainder of Paragraph 108 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

109. Paragraph 109 consists of subjective characterizations or legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

110. The Alliance denies the heading, “Magazines are an integral part of firearm.” The Alliance admits that magazines are used with some firearms and that, while some firearms require a magazine to operate, they do not require an LCM to operate. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 110, which shall have the effect of a denial.

111. In answer to Paragraph 111, the Alliance incorporates its answer to Paragraph 110. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 111, which shall have the effect of a denial.

112. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations in Paragraph 112, which shall have the effect of a denial.

113. The Alliance denies the first sentence of Paragraph 113. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 113, which shall have the effect of a denial.

114. The Alliance denies the heading, “An injunction is necessary.” Paragraph 114 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which does not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

115. Paragraph 115 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

JURISDICTION

116. The Alliance admits that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction. The Alliance denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to relief under § 1983 or to any relief whatsoever.

117. The Alliance admits that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction. Except as expressly admitted above, the Alliance denies any remaining allegations in Paragraph 117.

CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

COUNT ONE

(Second Amendment – “Permit-to-Purchase” Regime)

118. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

119. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 119 quotes a portion of the text of *New York State Rifle and Pistol Association, Inc. v. Bruen*, 142 S. Ct. 2111 (2022), which speaks for itself.

120. Paragraph 120 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

121. Denied.

122. Denied.

123. Paragraph 123 consists of subjective characterizations and legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

124. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 124 quotes a portion of the text of *Bruen*, which speaks for itself. The remainder of Paragraph 124 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which

do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

125. Denied.

126. Denied.

127. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 127 quotes portions of Measure 114's text, which speaks for itself. The remainder of Paragraph 127 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

128. The Alliance denies the first, penultimate, and final sentences of Paragraph 128. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 128, which shall have the effect of a denial.

129. Paragraph 129 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

130. Paragraph 130 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

131. The Alliance denies the final sentence of Paragraph 131. The Alliance lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations in Paragraph 131, which shall have the effect of a denial.

132. Denied.

133. Denied.

COUNT TWO
(Due Process Clause – “Permit-to-Purchase” Regime)

134. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

135. Paragraph 135 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

136. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in the second, third, and fourth sentences of Paragraph 136, which shall have the effect of a denial. The remainder of Paragraph 136 consists of subjective characterizations, hypothetical opinions, and legal conclusions or argument, none of which requires a response by way of factual pleading, but to the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

COUNT THREE
(Second Amendment – “Large Capacity Magazine” Ban)

137. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

138. Paragraph 138 quotes a portion of the text of *Bruen*. The decision speaks for itself.

139. Denied.

140. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 140 contains text from the cited decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Except as expressly admitted above, the remainder of Paragraph 140 is denied.

141. Paragraph 141 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

142. Paragraph 142 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

143. The Alliance denies the first sentence of Paragraph 143. The Alliance lacks sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief about the truth of the allegations in the second, third, and fourth sentences of Paragraph 143, which shall have the effect of a denial.

144. Denied.

145. Denied.

146. Paragraph 146 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

147. Paragraph 147 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

148. The Alliance admits that, to the extent weapons capable of firing more than ten rounds existed before the 20th century, they were experimental, unusual, impractical, unreliable, prohibitively expensive, or otherwise not analogous to modern firearms equipped with LCMs—and thus unlikely to necessitate government regulation. The Alliance specifically denies that 19th-century firearms capable of firing more than ten rounds without reloading were nearly as dangerous as modern firearms equipped with LCMs. The remainder of Paragraph 148 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

149. Paragraph 149 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

COUNT FOUR
(Fifth Amendment Takings Clause – “Large Capacity Magazine” Ban)

150. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

151. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 151 quotes the text of the U.S. Constitution and describes the Supreme Court decision cited.

152. Paragraph 152 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

153. Paragraph 153 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

154. Denied.

155. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 155 quotes a portion of the text of Measure 114, which speaks for itself. Paragraph 155’s remaining allegations consist of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

156. Denied.

157. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 157 quotes the text of the cited case, which speaks for itself. The Alliance denies any remaining allegations in Paragraph 157.

158. Denied.

159. Denied.

COUNT FIVE

(Fourteenth Amendment Due Process Clause – “Large Capacity Magazine” Ban)

160. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

161. Paragraph 161 consists of legal conclusions or argument to which no response is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

162. Denied.

163. Denied.

164. Denied.

COUNT SIX

(Vagueness – “Large Capacity Magazine” Ban)

165. The Alliance incorporates its responses as set forth above.

166. The Alliance admits that Paragraph 166 quotes a portion of the text of Measure 114, which speaks for itself. The Alliance denies any remaining allegations in Paragraph 166.

167. Denied.

168. Paragraph 168 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

169. Paragraph 169 consists of legal conclusions or argument, which do not require a response by way of factual pleading. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies the same.

170. Denied.

171. Denied.

172. Denied.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

The Prayer for Relief portion of the Complaint makes no allegation to which an answer is required. To the extent a response is required, the Alliance denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to the requested relief or any relief whatsoever.

OMNIBUS DENIAL

Unless otherwise specifically admitted above, the Alliance denies each and every remaining allegation in the Complaint. The Alliance reserves the right to amend this Answer.

AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

The Alliance asserts the following defenses:

1. Plaintiffs fail to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

The Alliance incorporates by reference and adopts as its own any defense asserted by any other Defendant, and reserves the right to amend this Answer to assert additional defenses and affirmative defenses as additional facts are obtained through investigation and discovery.

ALLIANCE'S PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, having fully answered the Amended Complaint and having asserted defenses and affirmative defenses, the Alliance respectfully requests the following relief:

1. That the Amended Complaint be dismissed with prejudice and that no relief be granted to Plaintiffs;
2. That the Court enter final judgment in the Alliance's and State Defendants' favor;
3. That the Court award the Alliance its reasonable expenses, costs, and attorney fees incurred in defending this action as authorized by law or equity; and
4. All other relief as the Court deems just and equitable.

DATED this 22nd day of May, 2023.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of May, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing document with the Clerk of the United States District Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all parties who are registered with the CM/ECF system.

DATED this 22nd day of May, 2023.


Erica Knerr